

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph numbers [0018], [0020] and [0022] of the specification as originally filed as follows:

[0018] Referring to FIGS. 1-10, in certain exemplary embodiments ~~In one aspect of the~~ present invention, the adapter ring generally indicated as 100, 200, is designed so that the rear surface or edge 110, 210 fits into a channel 11, 21 of an eyewear 1, 20 where a typical lens would be installed. Such a construction allows the adapter ring 100, 200 of the present invention to be used to retrofit existing eyewear. The front inner surface of the ring 100, 200 has a groove or channel 120, 220 to accept a prescription lens 121, 221 therein. Of course other methods of mounting the ring to the eyewear and for mounting a prescription lens therein are also envisioned. For example, although Figures 5 and 10 depict a nose bridge having a square-shaped groove 11, 21 for maintaining the adapter ring 100, 200, other shaped and sized mounting means are contemplated without departing from the spirit of the invention. The particular shape and size of the means for mounting the ring is a matter of application specific design choice.

[0020] The adapter ring 100, 200 of the present invention can be either fixed or removable from the eyewear 1, 20. Further, the lens 121, 221 within the adapter ring 100, 200 can be either fixed or removable. Designed as such, a user will be able to readily switch lenses which will greatly increase the range and functionality of the eyewear. The adaptability of the present invention is further enhanced by incorporating an eyecup to the eyewear, which itself can be either fixed or removable and which may also incorporate a removable lens therein. Additionally, referring to FIGS. 6-10, one exemplary embodiment of eyewear 20 also includes a removable eyecup 300 installed on the rear side thereof.

[0022] In a preferred embodiment, the eyewear of the present invention also includes a ventilation means, such as for example, one or more ventilating apertures 201 either incorporated as part of the ring itself or incorporated as part of the frame and/or eyecup as shown in FIGS. 6-8.